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Re: Lake Cavanaugh Access Redevelopment

File# DNS 20-055, Ecology SEPA# 202006218

Dear Troy Fields:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determination of nonsignificance (DNS) for the Lake Cavanaugh Access Redevelopment Project. Based on review of the checklist associated with this project, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) has the following comments:

Construction of the boat ramp below the OHWM would impact waters of the state subject to the applicable requirements of state law (see RCW 90.48 and WAC 173.201A) and Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 USC §1341) and 40 CFR Section 121.2. Because direct wetland impacts are proposed, the applicant shall obtain state authorization prior to beginning any ground-disturbing activities or vegetation removal. To obtain state and federal authorization, the applicant should submit a JARPA form to Ecology at ecv.wa.gov and a mitigation plan following the standards in *Wetland Mitigation in Washington State — Part 1: Agency Policies and Guidance* (Ecology Publication #06-06-011a). Ecology would issue an administrative order that authorizes impacting these wetlands based on permit conditions that compensatory mitigation is provided.

Thank you for considering these comments from Ecology. If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact Doug Gresham from the Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program at (425) 649-7199 or by email at doug.gresham@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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